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Invention: VALVED FENESTRATED
TRACHEOTOMY TUBE HAVING
OUTER AND INNER CANNULAE

Applicant: Eric D. Blom

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Sir:

In response to the December 3, 2003 notice of allowance, Applicant submits herewith
eight sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-11) for the above-identified application.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that this application is in condition for issuance. Such
action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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